20. *Princess Dhrru Shever Childrens Hospital:*—
General purpose treatment and routine diagnostic procedures.

21. *Hari Prasad Memorial Hospital:*—
General purpose treatment and routine diagnostic procedures.

22. *Shri Bhagwan Devi Maternity & Orthopaedic Hospital:*—
General purpose Orthopaedic & Obs. Gynac treatment procedures.

23. *Kamenini Hospital:*—
All purpose (General & Specialised).

Hill Highway in Kerala

4807. PROF. P.J. KURIEN : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there was a proposal to construct a hill highway in the western ghats region of Kerala;

(b) whether it is still under consideration of the Government; and

(c) if so, the reasons for the delay and the time by which it is likely to be constructed?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) and (b) The Central Government is primarily responsible for the development and maintenance of National Highways only. Development of all other roads lies within the jurisdiction of the respective State Govt. No proposal to construct a hill highway in Western Ghats region of Kerala has been received nor is it under consideration.

(c) Does not arise.

[*Translation*]

Chakma Refugees

4808. JUSTICE GUMAN MAL LODHA:
SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Chakma tribals of Bangladesh, who migrated to India over the last one decade, are residing in the refugee camps in Tripura;

(b) if so, whether the Government have held any talks to safely repatriate them to Bangladesh in the present changed political scenario;

(c) if so, the outcome of the said talks;

(d) if not, whether the Government propose to reinitiate talks afresh in the matter:

(e) whether the Government have held talks with the Government of Bangladesh on the question of autonomy for tribals for finding a permanent solution to this long pending matter; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I.K. GUJRAL) : (a) Yes, Sir. The Chakma refugees of Bangladesh are presently housed in the refugee camps in Tripura.

(b) to (d) Soon after Awami League formed the Government in Dhaka, the Foreign Secretary visited Bangladesh as Special Envoy of the Prime Minister from July 5-7, 1996 and discussed this issue along with other matters. The Foreign Secretary was told by Bangladesh authorities that there was a strong desire in Bangladesh to resolve the issue through early repatriation of Chakma refugees. During the recent visit of Bangladesh Foreign Secretary to Delhi, from August 6—9, 1996 the Bangladesh side again expressed willingness to take back the remaining Chakma refugees. It was conveyed to the Bangladesh Foreign Secretary that India was keen to ensure the voluntary repatriation of the Chakma refugees as early as possible. It has also been suggested that visits by the elected representatives from the Chittagong Hill Tracts region to the refugee camps would help to instil confidence in the refugees to return to their homes in safety and dignity.

(e) and (f) No, Sir. Government's primary role has been to facilitate a dialogue between the Chakma refugees who are the Bangladeshi nationals, and the Government of Bangladesh in this matter.

[*English*]

N.H. by Private Sector in U.P.

4809. SHRI PRABHU DAYAL KATHERIA : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Uttar Pradesh has submitted to the Union Government certain road development projects of National Highways through private sector financing;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Report on Indo-Pak Boundary Issue

4810. DR. G.R. SARODE : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state: